



Coasting to Gold!

Welcome to the 2017 National Veterans Golden Age Games

“It’s show time!”

BILOXI, MISS.—Veterans from around the country are arriving in Biloxi, Mississippi, today to take part in the 31st National Veterans Golden Age Games. More than 800 Veterans age 55 and older registered for this annual event. It is the only national multi-event sports competition aimed at improving the quality of life for older Veterans. This year’s annual competition is hosted by the Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System. The Local Organizing Committee selected ‘Coasting to Gold’ as the theme for this year’s event which is organized by the Department of Veterans Affairs and supported by national sponsor Veterans Canteen Service. Since 2004, the National Veterans Golden Age Games have served as a qualifier for competition in the National Senior Games, held every other year.

“There are only a few times in history where a community like ours has an opportunity to leave a lasting and positive impression on the rest of the country, and I think that opportunity for southern Mississippi is through hosting these Games,” Anthony Dawson, GCVHCS director, said. “Veterans from all over the country are coming to compete this week, and we have an opportunity to show them what ‘southern hospitality’ truly means and feels like.”

Veterans are encouraged to explore the Mississippi Gulf Coast throughout the week. There are museums, restaurants, water activities, shopping...all in close proximity to the Gulf Coast Convention Center and the host hotel, Beau Rivage. Most of all, have fun and enjoy the competition and camaraderie. Good luck!

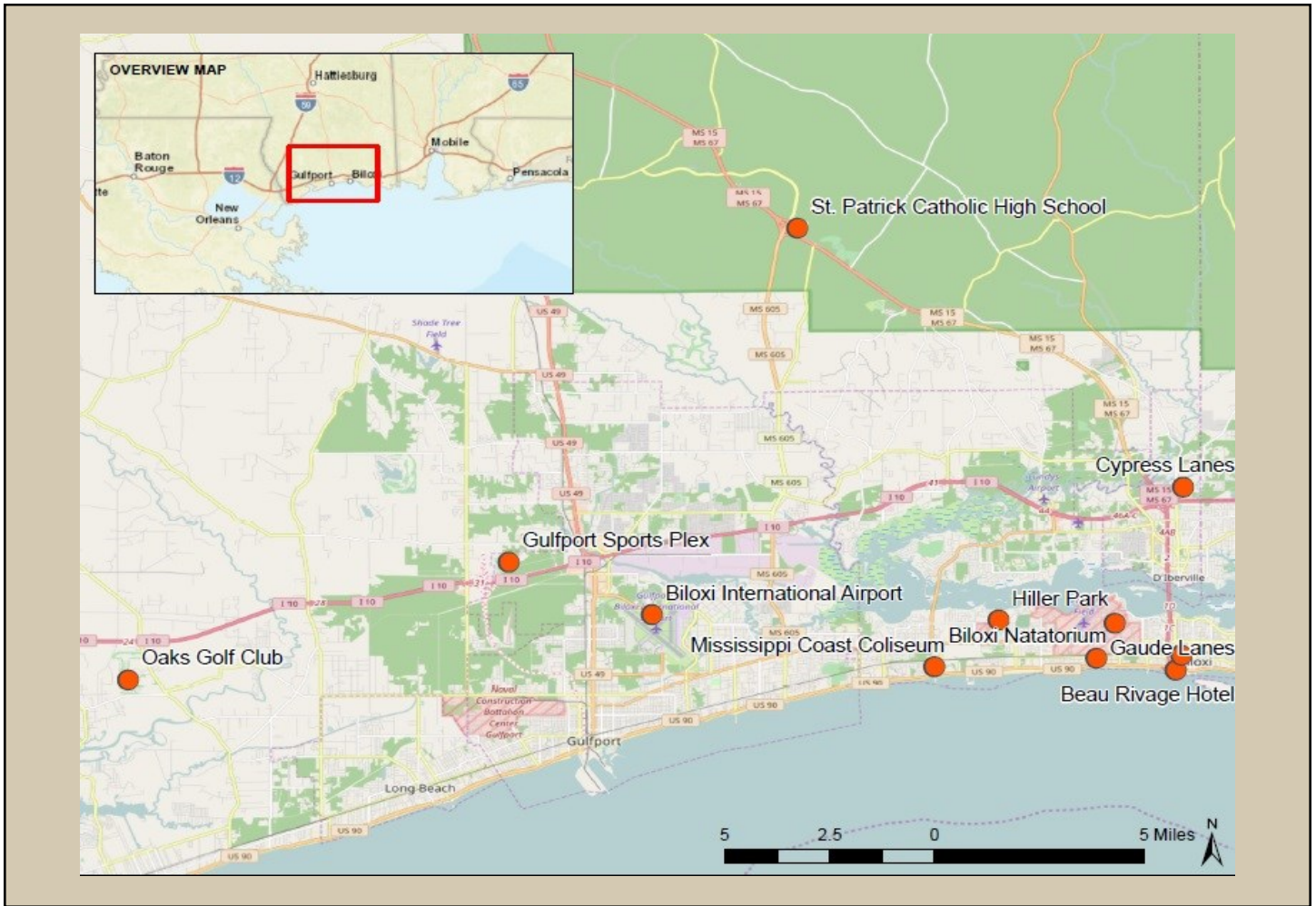


Anthony L. Dawson, GCVHCS Director, extends a heartfelt welcome to 2017 NVGAG Veteran athletes and all other attendees and volunteers.

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EVENT MAP



What To Do?

• SHIP ISLAND ★★★★★

875 Beach Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39530

"See the Dolphins and History"
"Highlight of our trip!"
"Good for a beach day."
 - Trip Advisor

• MARITIME SEAFOOD AND INDUSTRY MUSEUM ★★★★★

115 1st Street, Biloxi, MS 39530

Hundreds of one-of-a-kind artifacts and an unrivaled collection of vintage photos, telling the story of the first Indian settlement through generations of immigrants who contributed to the culture of the Gulf Coast.

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